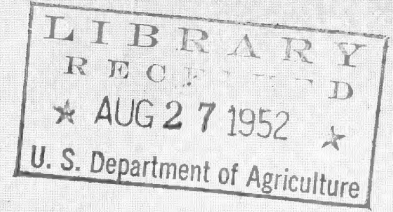


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IRIS and PEONIES for Your Garden

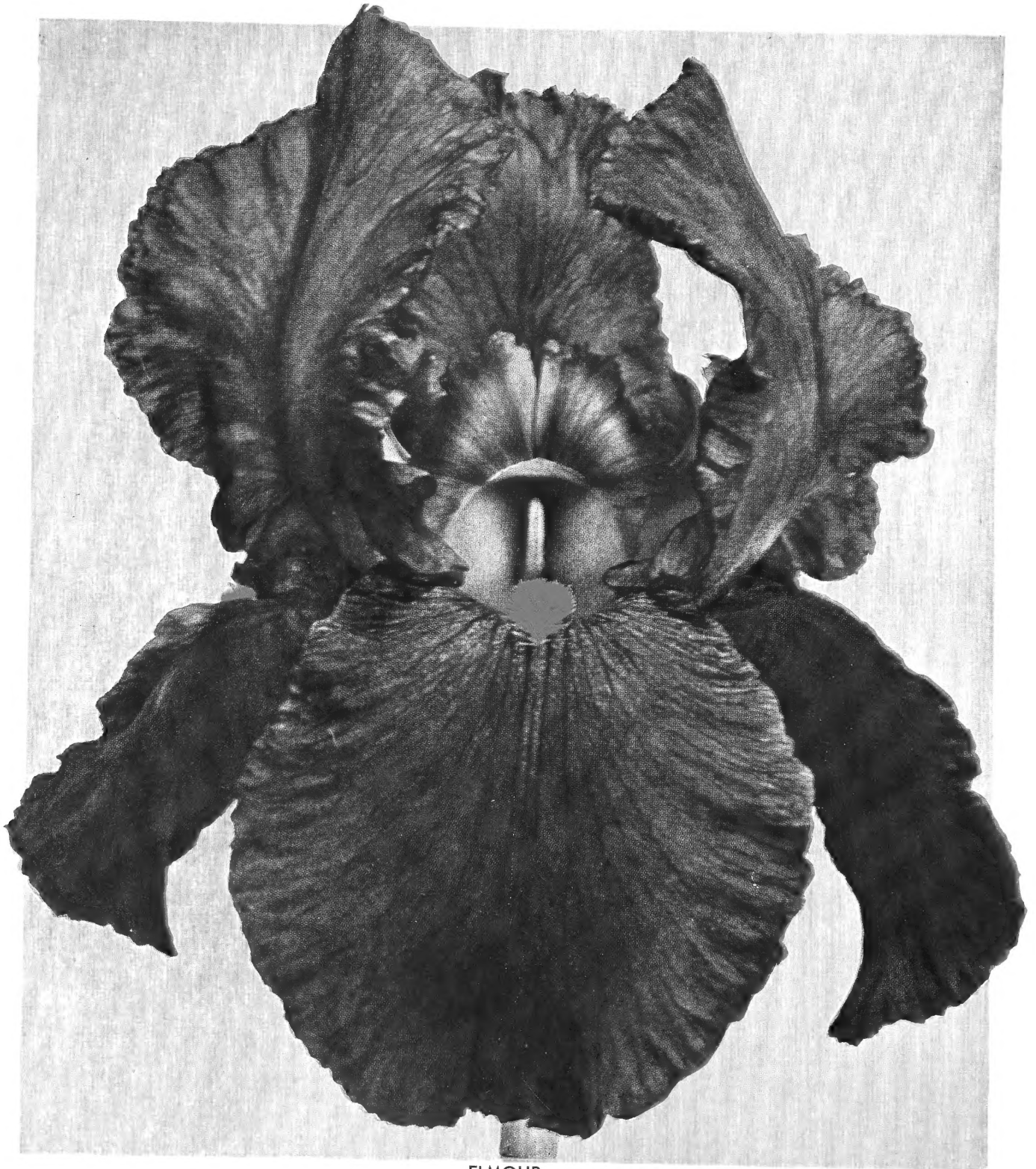


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Bedford, Michigan

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IRIS...

*Order
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IRIS are easy to grow and thrive in almost any soil. They may be used to advantage along garden paths, beside the garage, in beds, before a garden wall or fence, in clumps, spotted here and there in the garden, beside a pool, or as a beautiful border around the vegetable garden, a common practice in France.

Our modern Iris are two or three times the size of the old varieties still found in most gardens. They possess nearly all the colors of the rainbow and have such excellent branching that each blossom is displayed to best advantage. Some varieties have the scintillating sheen of shimmering silk, others appear to be sprinkled with diamond dust, while still others have the texture of rich velvet. Many varieties are delightfully fragrant. They make excellent bouquets. When cut in bud they may be easily transported, even shipped long distances. The blossoms of half a dozen stalks will last a week, as each bud opens.

Iris multiply rapidly. Even what may be regarded as high priced varieties are in reality not so expensive as they seem, because a single plant soon develops into a multitude, enough for a long row which will produce a brilliant splash of color in the garden and also supply blossoms for many beautiful bouquets. For instance, if you plant a four dollar Iris this year, you may have four plants shortly after the blooming season next year, reducing the cost per rhizome to one dollar. If you have the same rate of increase the following year, the price will drop to only 25 cents per plant.

Michigan grown Iris are hardy. They must be or they would succumb to cold winter weather. The temperature sometimes drops to 20 degrees below zero. We do not protect our stock.

We assure every customer that he will be completely satisfied with the stock he will receive. Iris from our fields are growing and flourishing in almost every village, town and city in this country and in many foreign lands as well.

TERMS:

Cash (checks or money orders) with order, please. No C.O.D. shipments, as this adds to the cost of the plants. All retail orders are sent prepaid.

The accompanying list of Iris includes only varieties which we regard as outstanding and worthy of a place in your garden.

ALBA SUPERBA. A large, tall, well branchd white.
Each \$1.50

ALEPPO PLAIN. A cream colored flower, heavily dotted and sanded on the edges of the standards and falls, forming a pansy-purple border.
Each \$1.00

ANITRA. Huge graceful blossoms which are as clear blue as a bright summer sky. The standards are domed, the falls flaring. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

ARAB CHIEF. A richly colored Iris which is perhaps best described as burnt orange, almost henna.
Each \$1.00

ARCTIC. A tall, large white which has a bright golden glow in the center of the flower.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

AUTUMN FROST. A glistening, frosty white which sometimes blooms again in fall. The bright green leaves stand up like swords and are attractive.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

AZURE SKIES. A pale azure-blue variety. See picture below. Each 75c

BALLERINA. Described by the introducer as "a very large, ruffled, wide-petaled flamingo-pink. Petals are thick and lustrous, the form ideal. Husky stems 3 feet tall, with excellent branching."
Each \$15.00

BERTHA GERSDORFF. Unique coloring. Yellow standards, flushed with pink; yellow falls, heavily flushed with pinkish purple. Each \$1.00



CASA MORENA

BLUE RHYTHM. Winner of the Dykes Medal, the highest award an Iris may receive, and regarded by most Iris authorities as the best blue. Large arched and domed standards and broad falls. See picture on page 5. Each \$1.75; 3 for \$3.50

BLUE SHIMMER. A large white, stippled with blue. See picture on page 8. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.50

BRYCE CANYON. An imposing henna-copper flower. One of the best blends. Each \$1.50

BUECHLEY GIANT. A mammoth tall blue bicolor which always evokes "ohs" and "ahs" of pleasure and surprise. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

BUFFAWN. A delicate blend of buff, fawn and pink, with a bright orange beard. At a little distance the flowers seem to assume a shrimp-pink to salmon hue. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

CASA MORENA. A large bright chestnut-brown. See picture above. Each \$1.50

CASCADE SPLENDOR. A rich blend of tan, apricot and pink. The large blossoms are beautifully ruffled. Each \$2.00

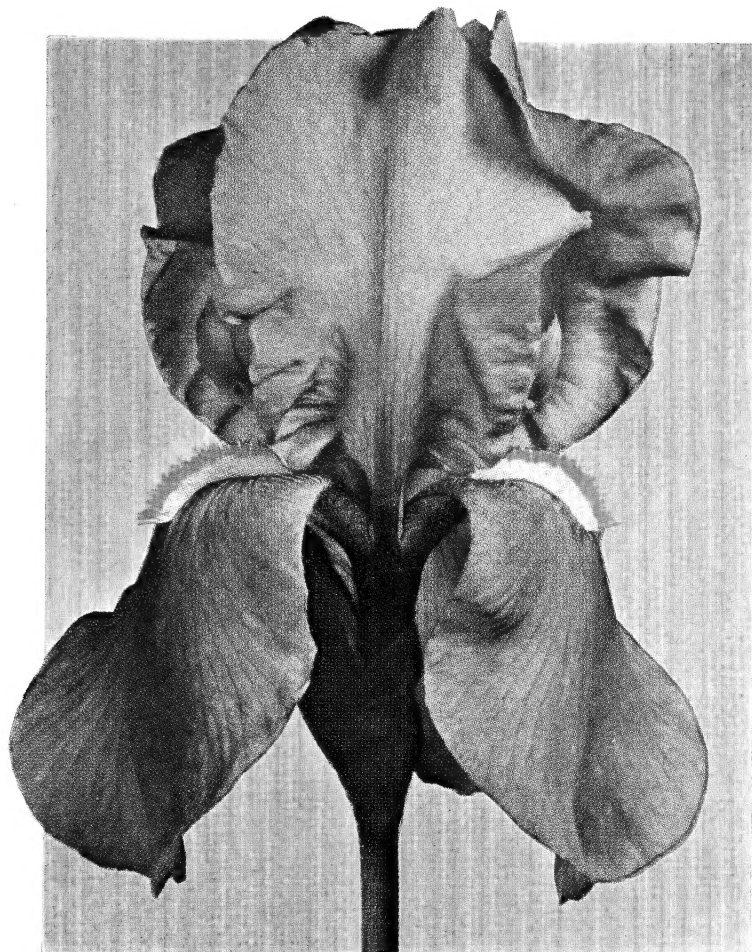
CHAMOIS. A mammoth pure chamois self which glistens as though sprinkled with diamond dust. Each \$2.50

CHANTILLY. It derives its name from the famous lace from France. The edges of the falls and standards of this orchid-pink Hall masterpiece are so heavily ruffled and frilled as to appear to be edged with beautiful lace somewhat lighter in color than the rest of the flower. This is the Iris to buy if you want a unique flower.

Each \$2.00



AZURE SKIES



BLUE RHYTHM

CHERIE. This outstanding flamingo-pink by Hall has been showered with awards, including the Dykes Medal. The large blossoms seem to be fashioned of glittering silk. This variety has excellent form, grace and character. It looks like an aristocrat. In describing other pinks, they are frequently compared with Cherie, which is the queen of them all.

Each \$12.00

CHIEF POKING FIRE. Rich reddish brown flowers with broad standards and falls.

Each \$1.00

CHINA MAID. An immense blend of mallow-pink, gold and lilac. See picture at right. There is more yellow in the flower than the picture shows.

Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00

CHIVALRY. A Dykes Medal winner and one of the best medium blues. The flowers are beautifully ruffled.

Each \$3.00

CHRISTABEL. One of the finest reds. Large copper-red flowers which are freely produced.

Each 50c

CITY OF LINCOLN. Rich yellow standards; falls bright chestnut-red. See picture on page 9.

Each 50c

CLOTH OF GOLD. If you want the brightest clear yellow which produces an abundance of bloom and multiplies rapidly, we recommend this great Iris. Last season it attracted more attention than any other yellow Iris in our fields.

Each \$1.00

CLOUDCAP. A sensational flamingo-pink which produces 7-inch blossoms on tall stalks.

Each \$20.00

COLOR CARNIVAL. Startlingly different. The deep pink ground color is beautifully marked with bright purple on the falls. A bright tangerine beard adds to the riot of color.

Each \$7.50

COPPER PINK. A large soft pink which is flushed with copper. Its beauty is enhanced by an orange-brown beard.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

DAYBREAK. A golden pink, with an undertone of copper.

Each \$1.00

DAZZELIER. This is a new Iris by Mr. David Hall, the famous hybridizer to whom we are indebted for a new color in Iris, flamingo-pink. The flowers, which have the same brilliant yellow and orange color of Ola Kala, are about one third larger than this great Iris. The standards are beautifully domed, the falls broad and rounded. It frequently attains a height of 44 inches.

Each \$10.00

DEB'S DELIGHT. A flesh-pink variety which grows vigorously and multiplies rapidly.

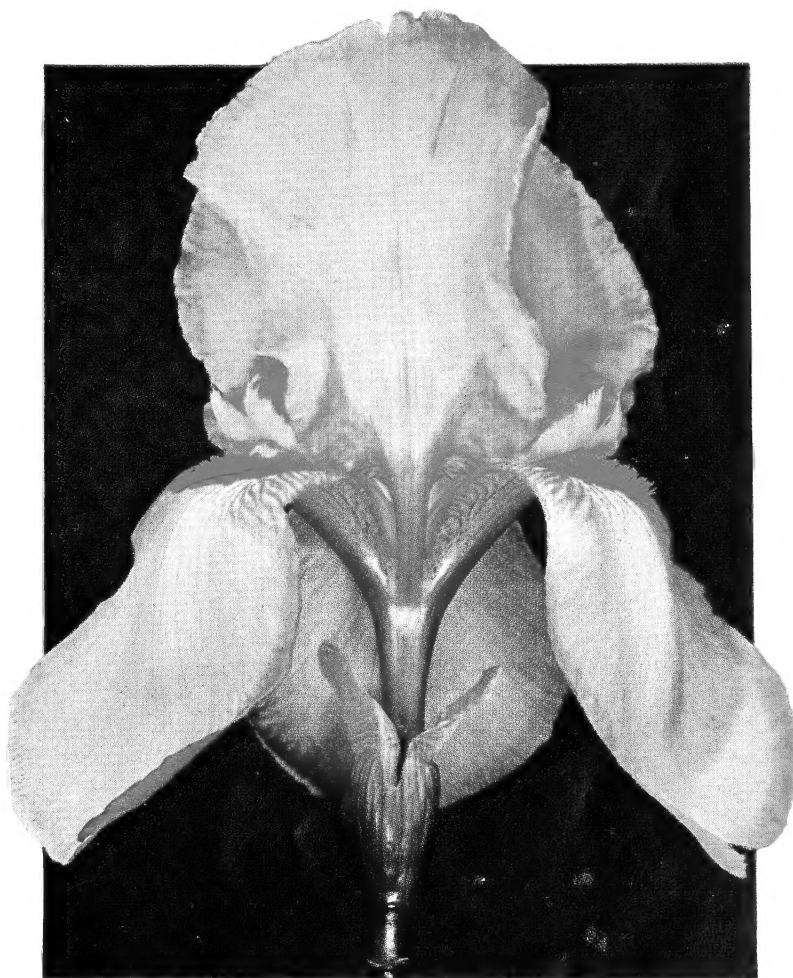
Each \$1.00

DREAMCASTLE. An orchid-pink with domed standards and exceptionally broad, rounded falls.

Each \$3.00

ELMOHR. A glossy mulberry-red which is illustrated life size on the inside front cover.

Each \$1.00



CHINA MAID

ELSA SASS. A sulphur-yellow as cool as lemon ice, with a white blaze on the center of the falls. See picture at right. **Each 50c**

EXTRAVAGANZA. Cream colored standards and falls of copper, red-lavender and rich violet. A sensational new color combination. **Each \$2.50**

FANTASY. An Iris of distinction. A large, slightly ruffled rose and orchid-pink, with a dash of raspberry. The beard is bright tangerine-red, and the blossoms have frequently been described as "luscious." **Each \$7.50**

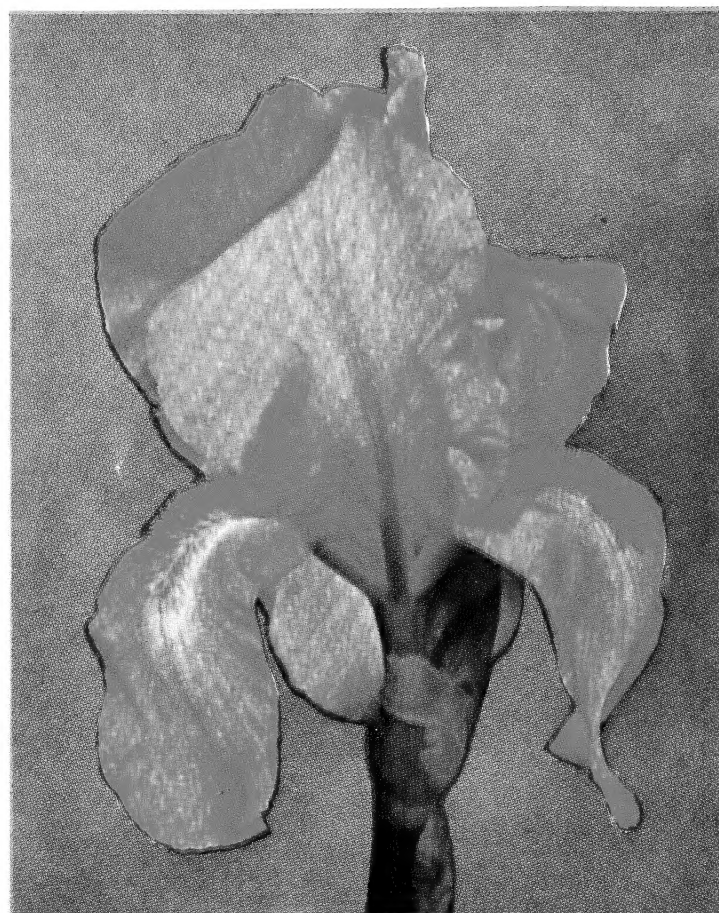
FIRECRACKER. One of the brightest of all Iris—yellow ground color, peppered and bordered with rich burgundy-red. The general effect is glowing red. Very scarce and always sold out early. **Each \$2.50**

FIREDANCE. The buff ground color is heavily marked with dark wine-red. The blossoms are supported on 40-inch well branched stalks. **Each \$5.00**

FRANK ADAMS. A flamboyant large and exceedingly tall variety which multiplies rapidly. Rosy tan standards, flushed with yellow; large, well rounded rosy red falls. Always a great performer. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

FRIEDA MOHR. A fragrant rosy pink. **Each 50c**

GARDEN FLAME. A rosy red, with a touch of brown in the center. **Each \$1.00**



ELSA SASS

GLADSONG. Somewhat similar in color to Tiffany, which is illustrated on page 12. It is taller and larger than Tiffany and sometimes blooms again in fall. **Each \$1.00**

GLORIOLE. A giant icy blue. It appears to be covered with sparkling crystals. **Each 50c**

GOLDBEATER. An interesting yellow. **Each \$1.00**

GOLDEN RUFFLES. A rich yellow which, as its name implies, is beautifully ruffled. **Each \$2.50**

GOLDEN RUSSET. A real giant. The blossoms are frequently 7 inches in height and 9 inches across. The buds are six inches long and somewhat resemble a cigar. The color is golden russet. If you want one of the world's largest Iris, select Golden Russet. **Each \$2.50**

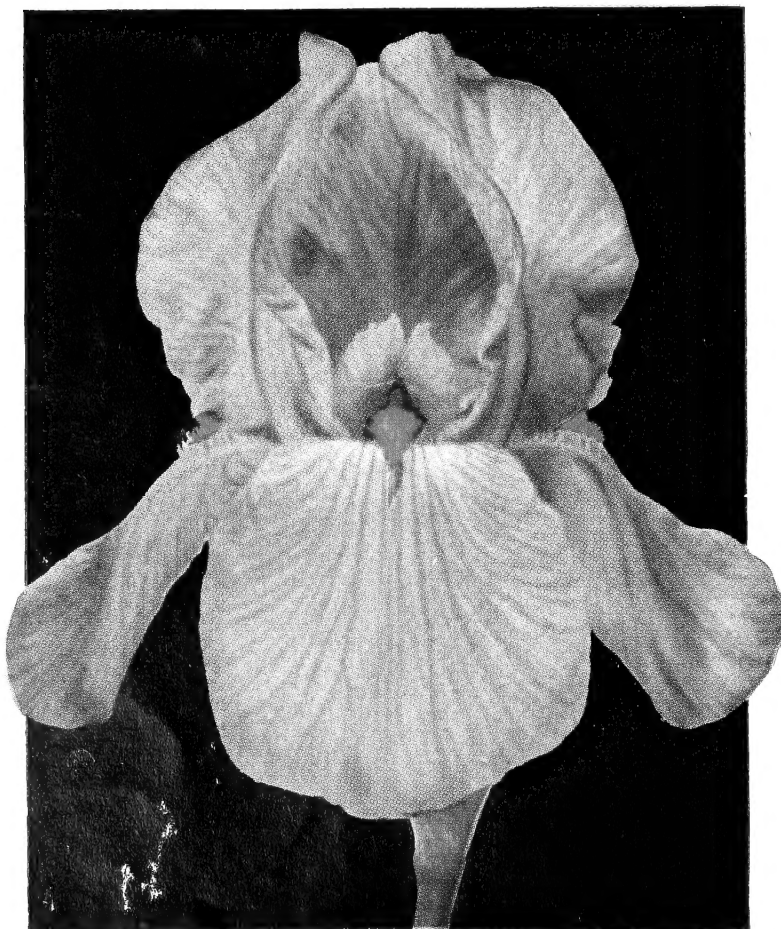
GOLDEN TREASURE. A creamy yellow flower with a golden orange center on the falls. See picture on page 10. **Each 50c**

GRACE BALLARD. A delicate blend of pink, rose and gold. **Each 50c**

GRAND CANYON. A blend of plum, copper and gold, with a unique sheen. See picture on page 7. **Each 75c**

GREAT LAKES. A clear large blue. See picture at left. **Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00**

GYPSY ROSE. A tall, stately red, brushed with copper. Large and colorful. **Each \$3.00**



GREAT LAKES



GRAND CANYON

HALL FLAMINGO PINK

HALL FLAMINGO PINK. Several years ago we bought quite a number of the famous new flamingo-pink Iris produced by Mr. David Hall. Visit our gardens at blooming time and you will see that they rival in beauty such high priced Hall named varieties on our list as Cherie. They multiplied so rapidly for us that we offer all of these gorgeous pinks, including those that Mr. Hall gave us permission to introduce (if offered as a new introduction the price would be at least \$15), for only **\$3.00 each or 4 for \$10.00, postpaid.** We also secured from Mr. Hall some peach-pinks, and perhaps the most beautiful of all, what he called "strawberry blondes," really raspberry colored Iris. The peach-pinks are **\$4.00**, the "strawberry blondes" **\$5.00 each.** Here is an opportunity to secure some of the finest breeding stock in the world if you are interested in hybridizing pink Iris.

HEROIQUE. This huge white is the largest flower that we have ever grown. A well known Iris judge, Mr. R. V. Ashley, stated that one flower he measured was 9½ inches from apex to base. Three of the huge flowers are frequently open at one time and are so well spaced on the sturdy stalk that they are shown to best advantage. Last year Heroique was unbowed by high winds and heavy rains. It is exceedingly vigorous and multiplies rapidly. If you visit us, be sure to ask to see Heroique. To see it is to want it. **Each \$3.00**

ILLINOIS. A bright creamy yellow self of large size and heavy substance. **Each \$4.00**

INDIAN HILLS. A free blooming, rich glowing purple variety. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

JAKE. A tall, stately fragrant white which is worth more than its present low price. **Each 75c**

JEAN CAYEUX. A silky Havana-brown Iris from France. See picture on page 12. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

LADY MOHR. Oyster shell white standards and chartreuse falls. See picture on page 8. **Each \$1.00**

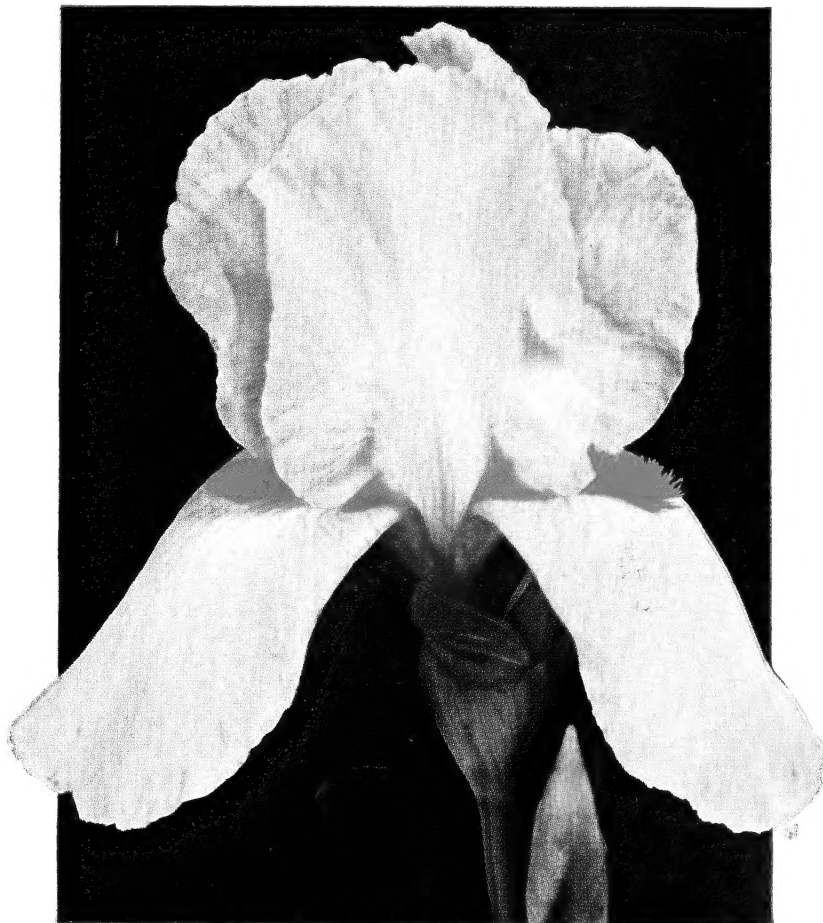
LAKE SHANNON. A beautifully fluted, broad-petaled medium blue. **Each \$2.00**

LOUVOIS. It has been described as having milk chocolate standards and velvety bittersweet chocolate falls. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

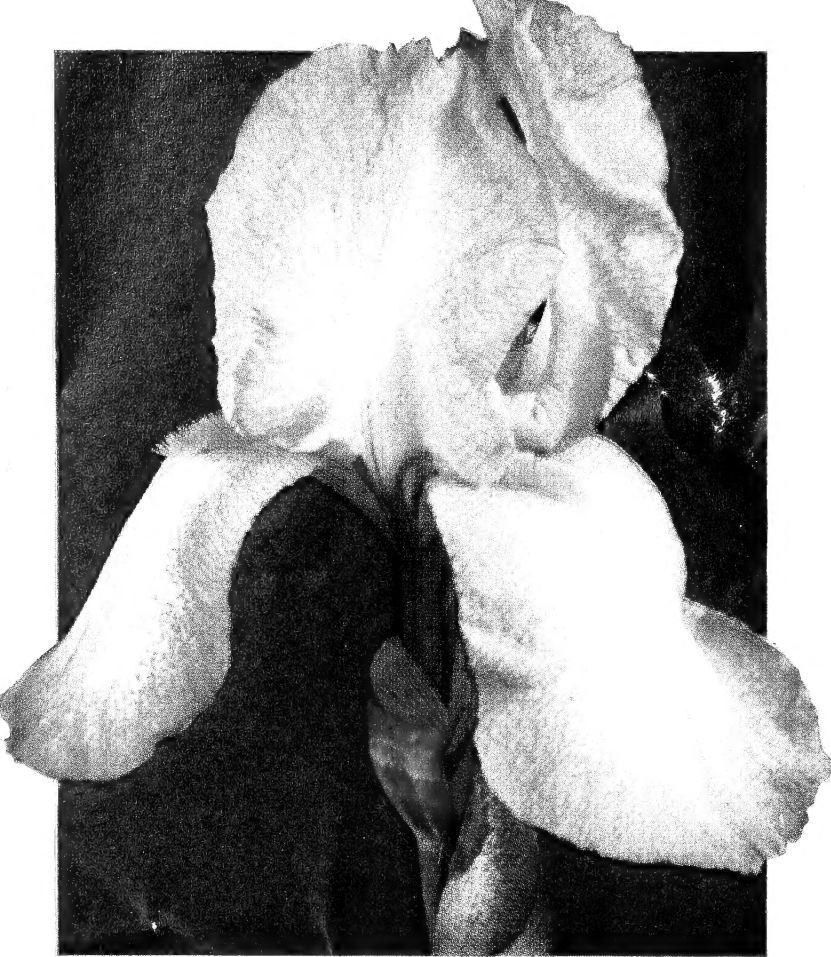
LYNN LANGFORD. A smooth lavender-purple which is brightened by an attractive golden center on the falls. **Each \$3.00**

MAID OF ASTOLAT. A huge porcelain-white, beautifully trimmed with blue on the standards and falls. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

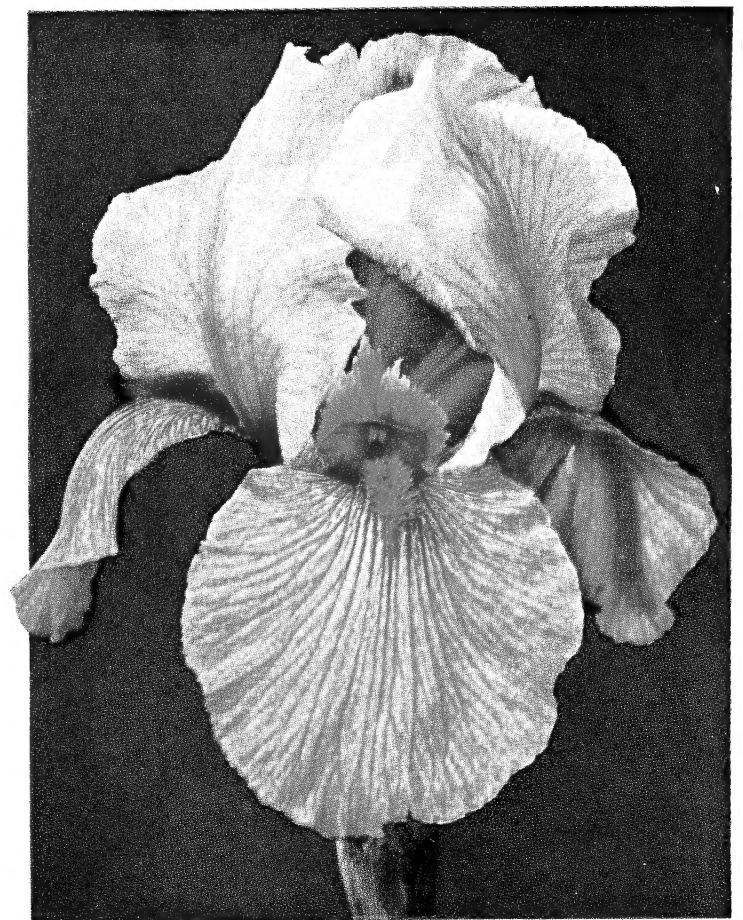
MARQUITA. A large impressive flower with ivory standards and falls of similar color brushed with watermelon-rose. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**



FLAMINGO PINK



BLUE SHIMMER



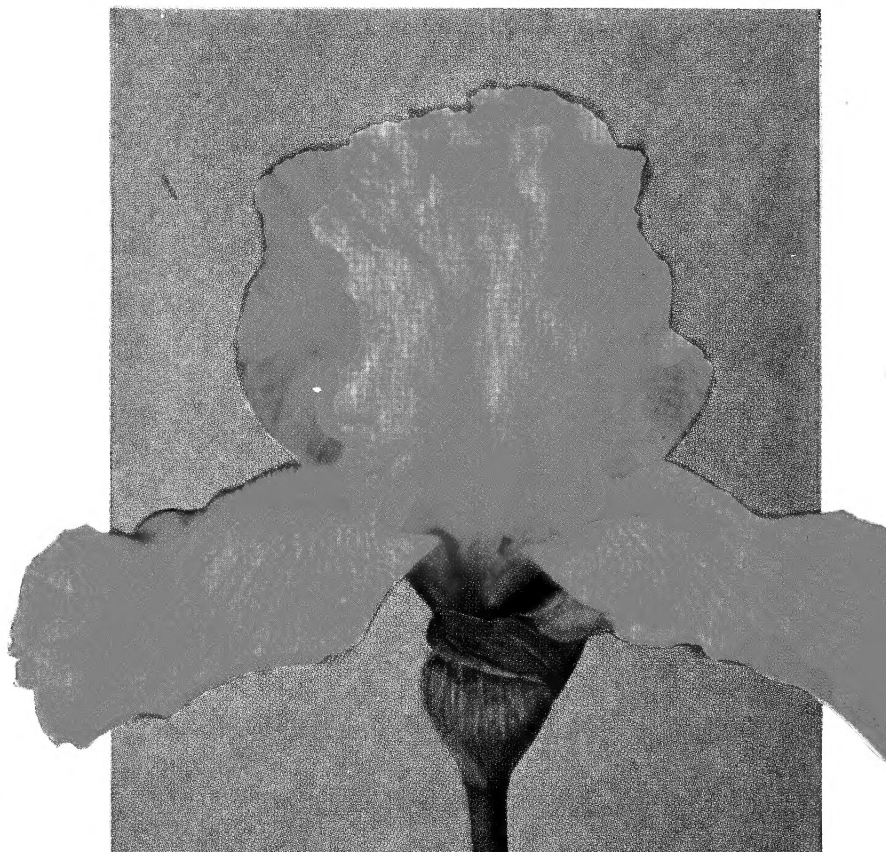
LADY MOHR



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OLA KALA





PRAIRIE SUNSET



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RANGER

MASTER CHARLES. Rich purple standards and mulberry-purple falls. It has sparkling vividness impossible to describe. **Each \$1.00**

MATTERHORN. A pure white without a trace of tattletale gray. **Each 50c**

MELANIE. A tall free blooming orchid-pink. **Each 50c**

MELODY LANE. A new color—glistening golden buff-apricot. The flowers are large, somewhat ruffled, and stand out in the garden. Last year it was the most in demand in its price class. **Each \$7.50**

MING YELLOW. One of the largest yellows. **Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00**

MINNIE COLQUITT. The color picture, page 11, is quite accurate. **Each \$1.00**

MISS CALIFORNIA. One of the tallest varieties. The color picture, page 10, gives a good idea of its beauty. **Each 50c**

MISSOURI. A dark glowing rich blue. **Each 50c**

MME. L. AUREAU. Large silvery white flowers which are so heavily dotted and marbled with heliotrope as to have the appearance of a solid color at a little distance. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

MOONLIGHT MADONNA. Large sulphur-yellow flowers with a beautiful white blaze on the falls. Bright and colorful. **Each \$1.00**

NASSAK. A spectacular mammoth white, the standards and falls of which are neatly stitched with blue. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**



MISS CALIFORNIA

OLA KALA. A graceful ruffled orange-yellow, a Dykes Medal winner, which fairly sparkles. See picture on page 8. Unfortunately it is no more possible to capture on paper the glowing sheen of this beautiful Iris than it is to show the fire flashing from a diamond. **Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.50**

PACEMAKER. A new red Iris, large, smooth and velvety, with good branching and excellent form. **Each \$10.00**

PINK CAMEO. A vigorous free blooming flamingo-pink. **Each \$2.50**

PIKES PEAK PINK. The most delicate pink imaginable. It is vigorous and multiplies rapidly. **Each \$1.00**

PINK OPAL. A large, tall and stately lavender-pink, really outstanding in this color class. A gorgeous Iris at a low price. **Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25**

PINNACLE. Something new. White standards and yellow falls. **Each \$10.00**

PRAIRIE SUNSET. It has the glowing colors of the setting sun. See picture on page 9. **Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.50**

PRINCE OF ORANGE. A medium sized yellow-orange variety which blooms profusely. **Each 50c**

PURPLE BAND. A large white with a rich purple band on the standards and falls. **Each \$2.00**



GOLDEN TREASURE

RADIANT. One of the most brilliant varieties we grow. Glowing bronze standards and copper-red falls.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

RAINBOW ROOM. As colorful as its name indicates. Light buff ground color, shaded with apricot-buff. There is a rich blue haze on the falls under the golden beard. The flower fairly glows, appearing to be lighted from within.

Each \$7.00

RANGER. A lustrous glowing red. See picture on page 9.

Each \$1.50

ROCKET. Deep yellow standards and orange-chrome falls, broad petaled and of good substance.

Each \$3.00

ROSE TOP. Large cream colored flowers which are edged and peppered with rose.

Each \$1.50

ROSY WINGS. A free blooming rosy red, with a glistening sheen.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

SABLE. A rich velvety black-purple which is a universal favorite. See picture on page 8.

Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.50

SHINING WATERS. A graceful blue somewhat similar to Great Lakes.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

SIR KNIGHT. A huge blue-purple with a silky finish. Always a favorite with most visitors to our fields.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

SKY RANGER. A large ruffled blue which sometimes grows 52 inches tall. The three way branched stems exhibit one open flower each at a time so well spaced that they are not crowded but shown to best advantage.

Each \$5.00



SNOW FLURRY

SNOQUALMIE. A free blooming variety the color of rich cream.

Each 50c

SNOW FLURRY. A sparkling white which is beautifully ruffled. See picture above.

Each \$1.00

SOLID MAHOGANY. Deep reddish-brown mahogany the color of the picture on the front cover.

Each \$1.50

SPANISH PEAKS. A large graceful white with excellent branching and good form.

Each \$4.00

SUNSET SERENADE. A large glowing apricot-buff which stands out in the garden. One of the best blends.

Each \$1.00

TALLY HO. New and different. The upper part of the falls is deep fuchsia; the domed standards and lower part of the falls are lighter in color. Scarce and in great demand. We sold too many rhizomes last year and have only a comparatively small stock this year.

Each \$10.00

TEA ROSE. A delicate pink with an infusion of amber.

Each \$1.00

THEODOLINDA. A large white with blue edging on the standards and falls.

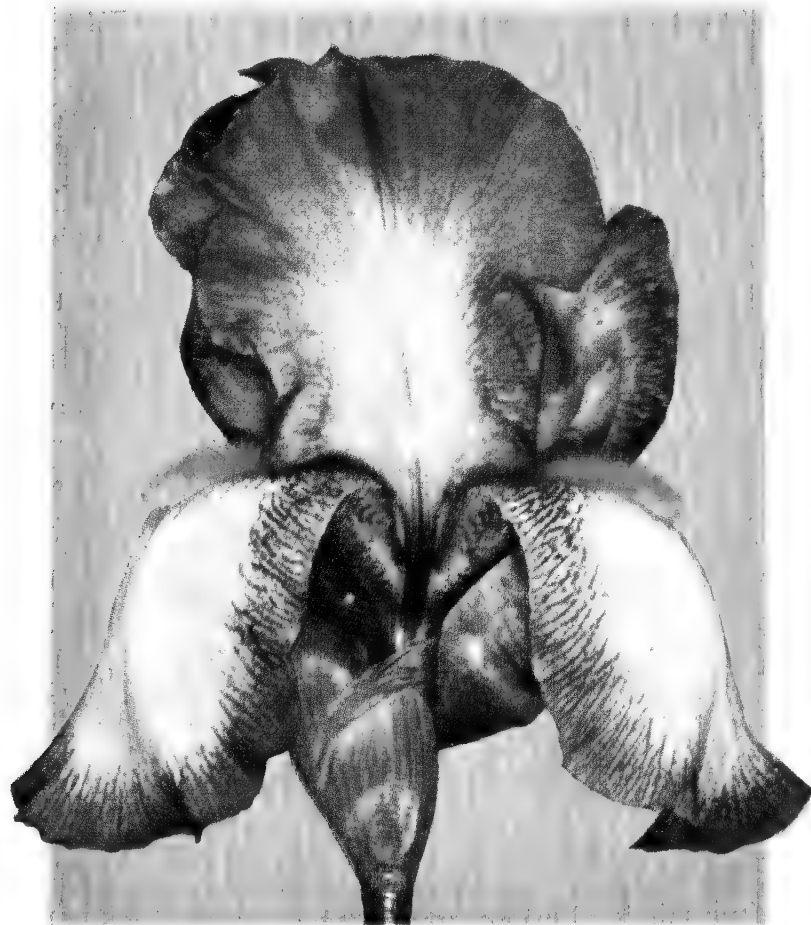
Each 50c

THE RED DOUGLAS. A rich red-purple, with plush-like substance.

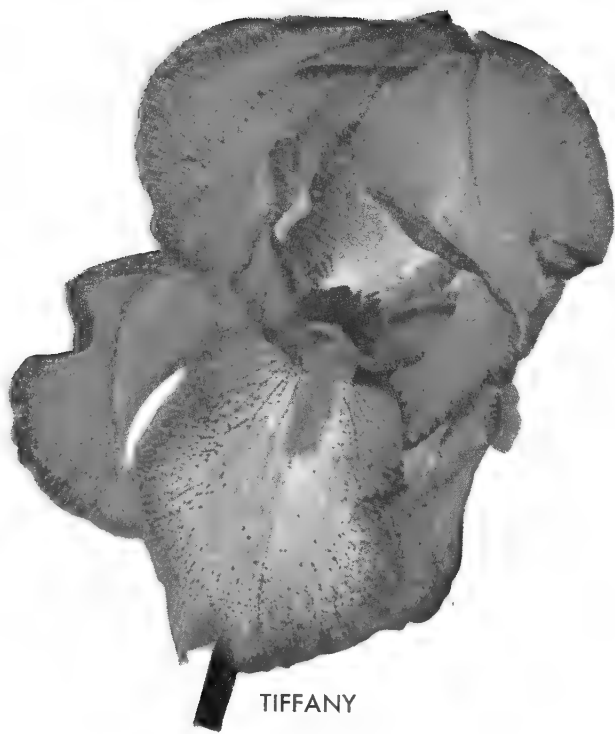
Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00

THOTMES III. Described as a glistening tan variety. This new Iris more than lived up to its advance publicity. The flowers are unusually large and possess a richness of color far greater than "golden tan" indicates. A beauty.

Each \$12.00



MINNIE COLQUITT



TIFFANY

THREE CHEERS. A brilliant bicolor. The standards are blue-white, the falls rich velvety blue-purple.
Each \$1.50

THREE OAKS. A huge glowing rose-pink blend which is brushed with bright copper. The beautifully ruffled blossoms are long lasting.
Each \$1.50

TIFFANY. Rose stitching on a yellow background. See picture at left.
Each 50c

TOM TIT. An intensely bright blue-purple Iris which is still in bloom when all other varieties are gone. It grows about 16 inches tall. Excellent for the rock garden.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

TREASURE ISLAND. A glowing yellow, with a touch of cream on the falls.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

VATICAN PURPLE. Its name describes its color. The blossoms have such heavy substance that they last for days in the garden or a vase.
Each \$1.50

WABASH. White standards and purple falls, edged with white. See picture on page 9.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

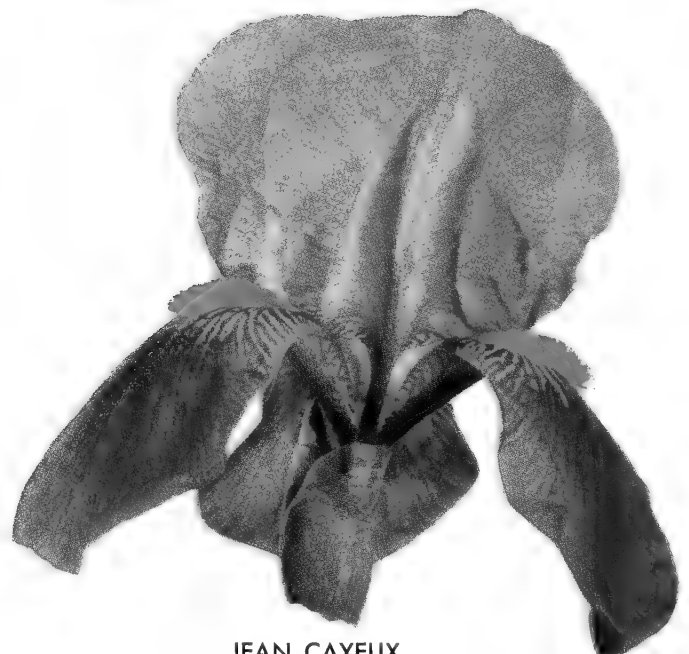
WHITE WEDGEWOOD. A white Iris with blue at the base of the beard and haft.
Each \$1.00

WINNESHIEK. A striking dark blue with velvety falls. See picture below left.
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25

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WINNESHIEK



JEAN CAYEUX



Peonies

Peonies are easy to grow. When once planted they may be left undisturbed for many years. They become larger and larger clumps from year to year and add more beauty to the garden.

We begin shipping Peonies in September. They will be sent separately because moist packing material is used, while Iris are packed with dry wood wool.

The varieties in the accompanying list have all been thoroughly tested and may be planted with complete confidence that they will prove to be satisfactory in every way.

AVALANCHE. A large, slightly fragrant white of waxy texture, with a faint pink center and narrow crimson edges on a few of the center petals. Excellent as a cut flower. **Each \$1.00**

BARONESS SCHROEDER. A tinted flesh-pink which becomes pure white. Tall, strong stems, making it unsurpassed as a cut flower. See picture on page 14. **Each \$1.00**

EDULIS SUPERBA. A fragrant, brilliant, bright old rose-pink. **Each \$1.00**

FELIX CROUSSE. Large, bright, rich, ruby-red ball shaped flowers. **Each \$1.00**

FESTIMA MAXIMA. A massive, very early reliable white, with crimson markings. One of the most vigorous and best performers. **Each \$1.00**

FRANCES WILLARD. A slightly fragrant large white which upon opening is pale pink but changes to white. Always an abundance of bloom. See picture at right. **Each \$1.00**



FRANCES WILLARD

INSPECTEUR LAVERGNE. A striking crimson flower which stands out in the garden like a beacon. **Each \$1.00**

KARL ROSENFELD. Perhaps the finest all-around pure deep red, with tall, strong stems. See picture on page 15. **Each \$1.00**

LA LORRAINE. A free blooming variety which is cream color upon opening, but soon changes to pure white. An excellent variety for exhibitions. **Each \$1.50**

LE CYGNE. This Peony is rated as nearly perfect. It is slightly fragrant. The blossoms are beautifully fashioned and the whole plant is graceful and has an aristocratic air. See picture on back cover. **Each \$2.50**

MME. DE VERNEVILLE. A large white which is beautifully touched with crimson. **Each \$1.00**

MME. EMILE DEBATENE. A vivid rose flower of the most delicately beautiful coloring imaginable. **Each \$1.75**

MARTHA BULLOCH. A huge, late exceedingly bright rose-pink. **Each \$1.30**

BARONESS SCHROEDER



WALTER FAXON

MONS. JULES ELIE. A large, rich satiny early pink. One of the most popular Peonies available today. **Each \$1.00**

MONS. MARTIN CAHUZAC. An early, deep glossy maroon variety. **Each \$1.75**

PRIMEVERE. Peony growers have for many years been trying to produce a yellow Peony. While this variety cannot be called a true yellow, yet it has more than a suggestion of this illusive pigment in its makeup. **Each \$1.30**

REINE HORTENSE. A crisp, large rosy pink with fluffy petals of translucent texture, notched and silvered at the tips. There is an occasional fleck of crimson in the center of the flower. **Each \$1.00**

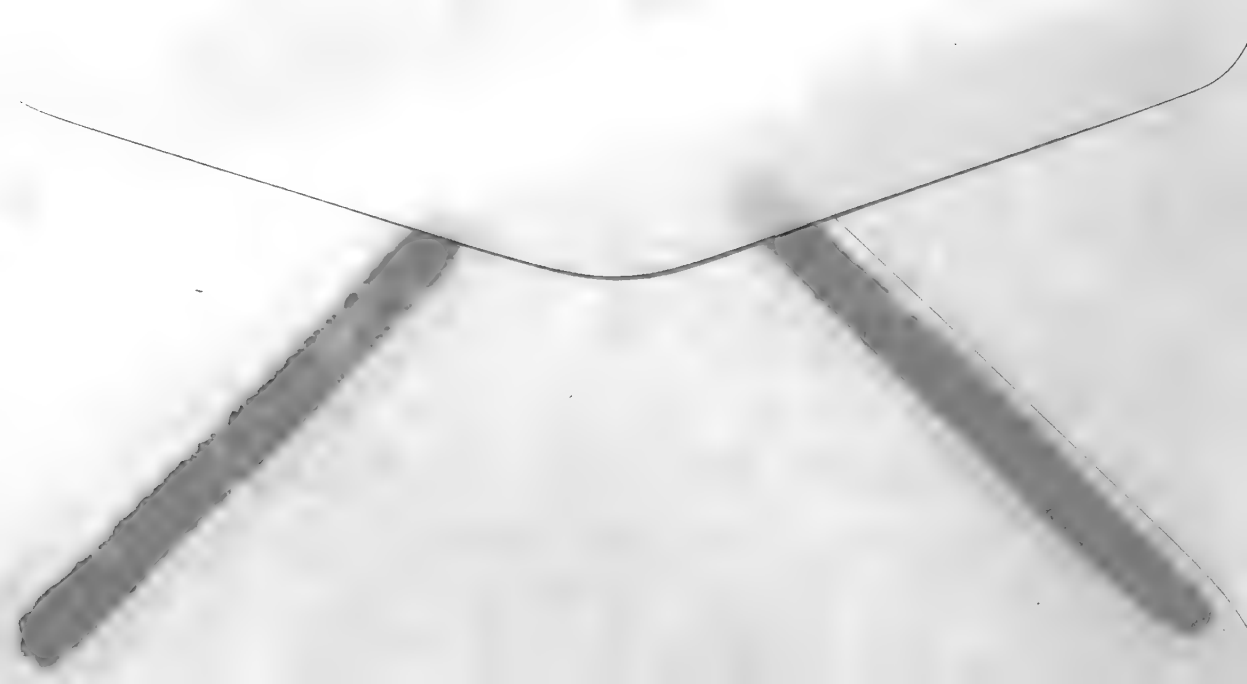
RICHARD CARVEL. An early exceedingly bright crimson variety. One of the best reds. **Each \$1.50**

FREE IRIS FOR NEW CUSTOMERS. We will send you absolutely free one rhizome of any one of the following varieties if you send us an order for iris (peonies not included) amounting to \$3 or more: Prairie Sunset, Sable, The Red Douglas, or Cla Kala. The larger your order the better your premium. Please enclose this slip with your order and get it into the mail today. We reserve the right to withdraw this generous offer without notice.



BEDFORD GARDENS

BEDFORD, MICHIGAN



WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS SAY

K. D. W., St. Joseph, Michigan, writes:

An unrealized ambition of mine is to visit your iris gardens at the peak of their bloom. Perhaps another year my husband may return from his station in Japan, and it may be possible for us to see them together.

Last summer we sent you an initial order, after carefully checking the many intriguing names and color combinations. My "warrior" was home when they came, to help in the planting. We had learned through dubious experience to be conservative in our expectations of these products of colored garden catalogs.

This spring seems to be unusually favorable to all iris growth, and the many old roots in our garden, heritage of many previous gardeners, burst into bloom early and profusely. But then last week our planting of twenty of your plants began to show color.

It was as if we were watching a musical production where the earliest numbers are performed by a large and able chorus, which seems perfectly adequate until suddenly and dazzlingly outshone by the scintillant stars. There is no question that your iris are the unbelievably large, fragrant and gaudily costumed stars of my perennial garden.

Although my expenditures these days are gauged to an Army allotment, I feel that it is no extravagance to order ten additional iris, as indicated on the enclosed blank.

The B. Family, Arnold, California, writes:

Just a note to let you know how much we enjoy and appreciate your beautiful iris. They are our family hobby, each choosing their own every year. And the pleasure we have waiting to see what every one will be like. Of the 10 we received last year, every one bloomed.

Your prices fit every pocketbook.

Yours truly, a family of very satisfied customers.

J. K., Detroit, Michigan, writes:

Your previous delivery of iris was very satisfactory. It was the nicest collection of iris in the neighborhood and many of my friends and even strangers inquired about them.

H. C. K., Columbus, Ohio, writes:

I want to tell you how much we enjoyed the iris this spring. They were beautiful. We could not decide which were the prettiest of the thirty-six we have bought from your gardens. Our friends and neighbors were amazed at the different colors.

We want to thank you very much for the gift you sent us, Rocket. It is a fine bloomer.

Enclosed find another order for your famous iris. We were more than pleased with all the iris blooms.

J. M., Rochester, New York, writes:

I am an iris customer of several years standing and should like to take this time to thank you for the wonderful stock I received from Bedford Gardens. The flowers came into full beauty this season and I am satisfied.

L. B., Arlington, California, writes:

I do not believe I have ever written and told you how much I enjoy the iris that I have bought from you in years past. They have come to be one of my hobbies. I go out the first thing every morning to see if I have any new ones out.

F. B., Hudson Falls, New York, writes:

Please send latest catalog of your gorgeous iris. We bought some about three years ago and they are really a most beautiful sight to behold. Neighbors and friends admire from far and near and would like to have one of each of the varieties we have.

M. E. S., Dodge City, Kansas, writes:

Two years ago I ordered several iris from you. I wish you could see them this spring. OLA KALA has bloomed profusely, four bloom stalks, and BLUE SHIMMER is most lovely. I have not had any of the "canyon" colors, so it was a great treat when you sent me PAINTED DESERT as a bonus. This year it is amazing both as to size and color, and has made such a hit with my husband I am ordering several additional "canyon" colors.

I have ordered from several well known nurseries but have never had iris do as well as the ones I have ordered from you.

L. M., Dayton, Ohio, writes:

I am writing just a little note to tell you how more than pleased I was with my Iris I ordered last Fall. My PEACHBLOW was certainly a dream, and SANDALWOOD, my free gift Iris was surely beautiful too.

Thank you, BEDFORD GARDENS, for my beautiful Iris and such wonderful stock.

C. M. C., Kansas City, Missouri, writes:

The Iris rhizomes I got from you certainly were fine. A large portion bloomed last year, and this year it was one hundred percent production, with such large blossoms, and so many of them.

This is my second order to you.

M. M., Clinton, Oklahoma, writes:

Two years ago I ordered Iris from you and received my start of a beginner's Iris garden. I also ordered Iris from another source and even though I knew little of Iris, I could easily see the difference in the plants -- yours were large healthy ones as compared with the others I received.

Last year my little Iris spot was truly lovely. This year I was so proud of some of my Iris that I timidly entered a few in our local Iris show. Of the nine entered I came home with five prizes -- two being firsts.

I. A. H., Hamilton, Texas, writes:

I received my Iris order and am very much pleased with it. Thanks a lot for the nice gift Iris.

A. S., Teaneck, New Jersey, writes:

I want to tell you all the iris I purchased from you last fall bloomed this spring. The selection was nice and my garden was just beautiful. I want to thank you for the fine iris you sent.

K. M. C., Princeton, West Virginia, writes:

My order came Saturday. They are beautiful specimens. Thank you very much for the gift PRAIRIE SUNSET, it is appreciated.

P. L. W., Lubbock, Texas, writes:

The Iris I ordered from you 3 years ago are the most beautiful I've ever seen and such healthy and vigorous growers. I'm more than pleased with them all.

W. A., Kings Park, Long Island, New York, writes:

Thank you for the gift rhizomes. All Iris arrived in excellent condition, grand specimens.

C. W., Fredonia, New York, writes:

I received my order of Iris in excellent shape and they have all started to grow. I also wish to thank you for the gift of Iris which was just fine.

E. M., Holt, Michigan, writes:

The Iris came all O. K. and were in the ground the same day. Thanks so much for the extra bulbs.

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Select 8 of the varieties on the accompanying list for only \$3.00, postpaid. These excellent iris include a wide range of color. Several have won the Dykes Medal, the highest award an iris may receive.

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Select 7 of the following blue ribbon iris for only \$5.00, a \$7.50 value, or all 15 for \$10.00.

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| Cloth of Gold | Ola Kala |
| Elmohr | Pikes Peak Pink |
| Great Lakes | Prairie Sunset |
| Lady Mohr | Ranger |
| Ming Yellow | Sable |

Sunset Serenade

ECONOMY COLLECTION

Ten prize winning iris for \$5.00, postpaid. Never before has it been possible to secure so many truly great iris for such a small sum. These varieties should win blue ribbons at flower shows.

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| Buffawn | Blue Shimmer |
| China Maid | Cloth of Gold |
| City of Lincoln | Great Lakes |
| Frank Adams | Lady Mohr |
| Jake | Ola Kala |
| Marquita | Pikes Peak Pink |
| Ming Yellow | Prairie Sunset |
| Persian Prince | Sable |

ALL STAR COLLECTION

Blue Rhythm
Bryce Canyon
Firecracker
Heroique
Pink Cameo
Rocket
Sable

Seven beauties for \$10.00, a \$15.00 value.

We reserve the right to substitute in the first four collections with iris of equal or greater value.

CONNOISSEUR'S COLLECTION

Here are six top flight iris which we believe will satisfy the most critical iris fan, a \$37.00 value for \$25.00. CHERIE is a Dykes medal winner and regarded by most experts as Hall's finest flamingo pink. HEROIQUE has produced 9-1/2 inch flowers. RAINBOW ROOM is one of the most colorful of all iris. GOLDEN RUSSET produces buds the size of a cigar. MELODY LANE is a Hall masterpiece in gold and apricot. SPANISH PEAKS is a stately beautifully fashioned white.

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Cherie
Golden Russet
Heroique
Melody Lane
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VESPER IRIS

A clump of Vesper Iris produces 100 or more blossoms a day from late July until September. If planted in spring it will bloom a few months later. We do not recommend late planting.

The blossoms include various shades of blue, lavender and wine color. They twist into graceful little spirals at night, drop to the ground before morning and are replaced by a new crop of crisp, fresh blooms every day. This unique iris produces an almost unbelievable quantity of flowers after it is well established.

This remarkable iris thrives in almost any soil. It will endure torrid heat, prolonged drouth, and temperatures as low as 20 degrees below zero.

The excellent branching of this iris keeps the flowers from bunching. Each one is displayed to best advantage. The bloom stalks attain a height of three to four feet.

Please order Vesper Iris early. We sold out early last season and had to disappoint many of our customers. We ship Vesper Iris separately.

Price: 5 blooming size plants for \$2.00, postpaid

MIXED DWARF IRIS COLLECTION

If we labeled our dwarf iris and sold them by name, we would have to charge 35 cents each for them, which is also the price charged by most growers. Many of our customers have asked us for a mixed collection, unlabeled, at a comparatively low price. We accede to their request and while they last will send out 12 excellent dwarf iris, including several colors, for \$2.00. Please order early to avoid disappointment.

SARAH BERNHARDT. A late, large, dark rose-pink, edged a trifle lighter. See picture below right. **Each \$1.00**

THERESE. The highest rated pink Peony. The blossoms are exceptionally large, composed of extremely long petals of pale, translucent old-rose-pink, illumined by a golden yellow glow in the depths. A free dependable bloomer. **Each \$1.50**

WALTER FAXON. An exquisitely beautiful coral-pink which is delightfully fragrant. Very popular and desirable. See picture on page 14. **Each \$1.00**

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